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SUBJECT: ANTI-DAVIS EDITORIAL

1. LOURENCO MARQUES LEFTIST-CONTROLLED DAILY NOTICIAS OF
APRIL 9 CARRIED FRONT PAGE, BOXED EDITORIAL CONCERNING
SENATE APPROVAL OF ASSISTANT SECRETARY NATHANIEL DAVIS WITH
LEAD "AN INSULT TO AFRICA".

2. STORY IS PEGGED TO PARIS HERALD TRIBUNE EDITORIAL, WHICH
WE HAVE NOT SEEN, AND MISLEADINGLY EMPHASIZES OPPOSITION IN
SENATE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE TO DAVIS CONFIRMATION.
IT SAYS DEPARTMENT HAS "LAUNCHED A CAPAIGN IN WASHINGTON
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AND AFRICAN CAPITALS TO EMPHASIZE THE COMPETENCE OF DAVIS

DESPITE THE FACT THAT DURING THE HEARINGS OF THE SENATE FOREIGN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE ALL THOSE PRESENT WITH THE EXCEPTION OF TWO HAD OPPOSED HIS NOMINATION".

3. COMMENT: POST SENT COPY OF SECRETARY'S REMARKS ON DAVIS SWEARING-IN TO LOCAL MEDIA BUT LATTER DID NOT USE THEM. INSTEAD, A TRIBUNA, APRIL 4, USED PORTUGUESE WIRE SERVICE ITEM, WITH ITS OWN HEADING: "USA ERRED IN RELATIONS WITH AFRICAN CONTINENT--KISSINGER RECOGNIZES". LOCAL PRESS REFLECTS RADICAL PORTUGUESE VIEWS AND DOES NOT ALWAYS REFLECT FRELIMO POLICY LINE.
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